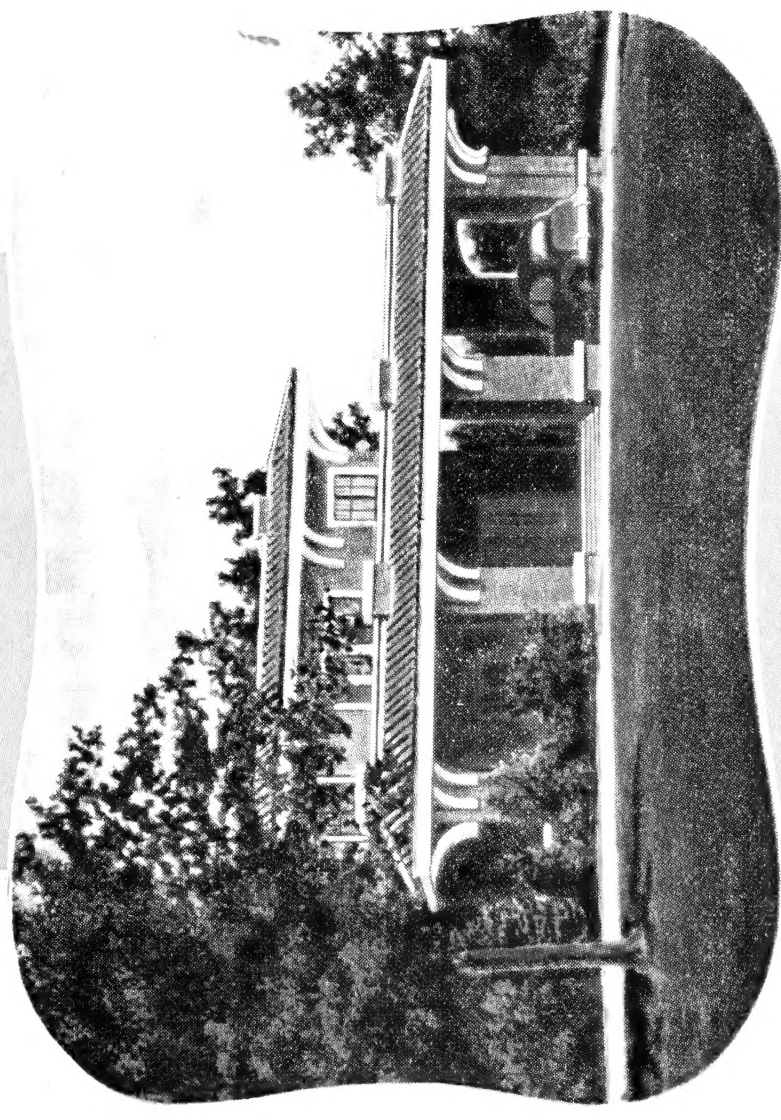


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BASS PECAN COMPANY

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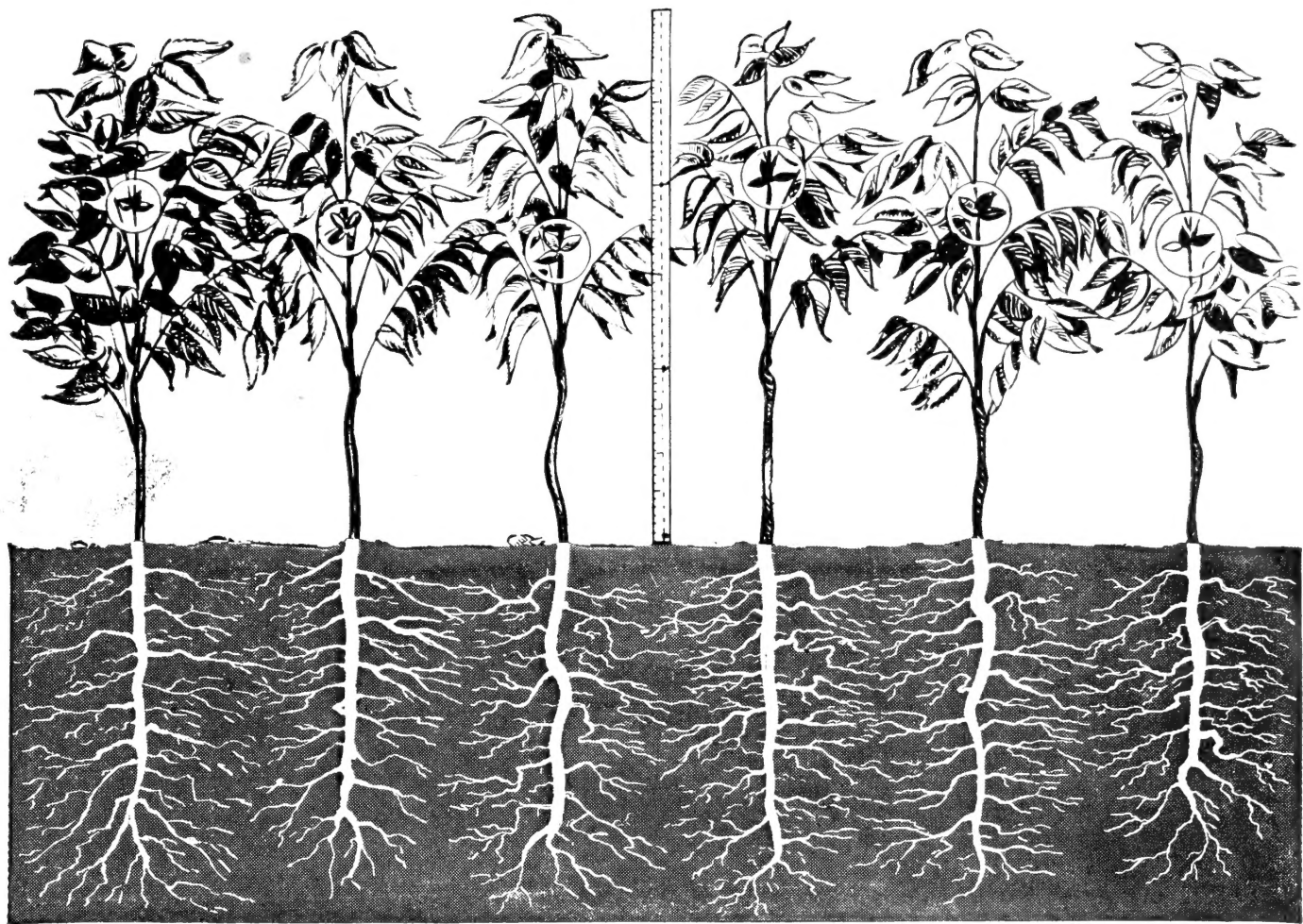
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A drawing from a kodak picture showing our Bred-up Pecan trees bearing before they are three feet high.

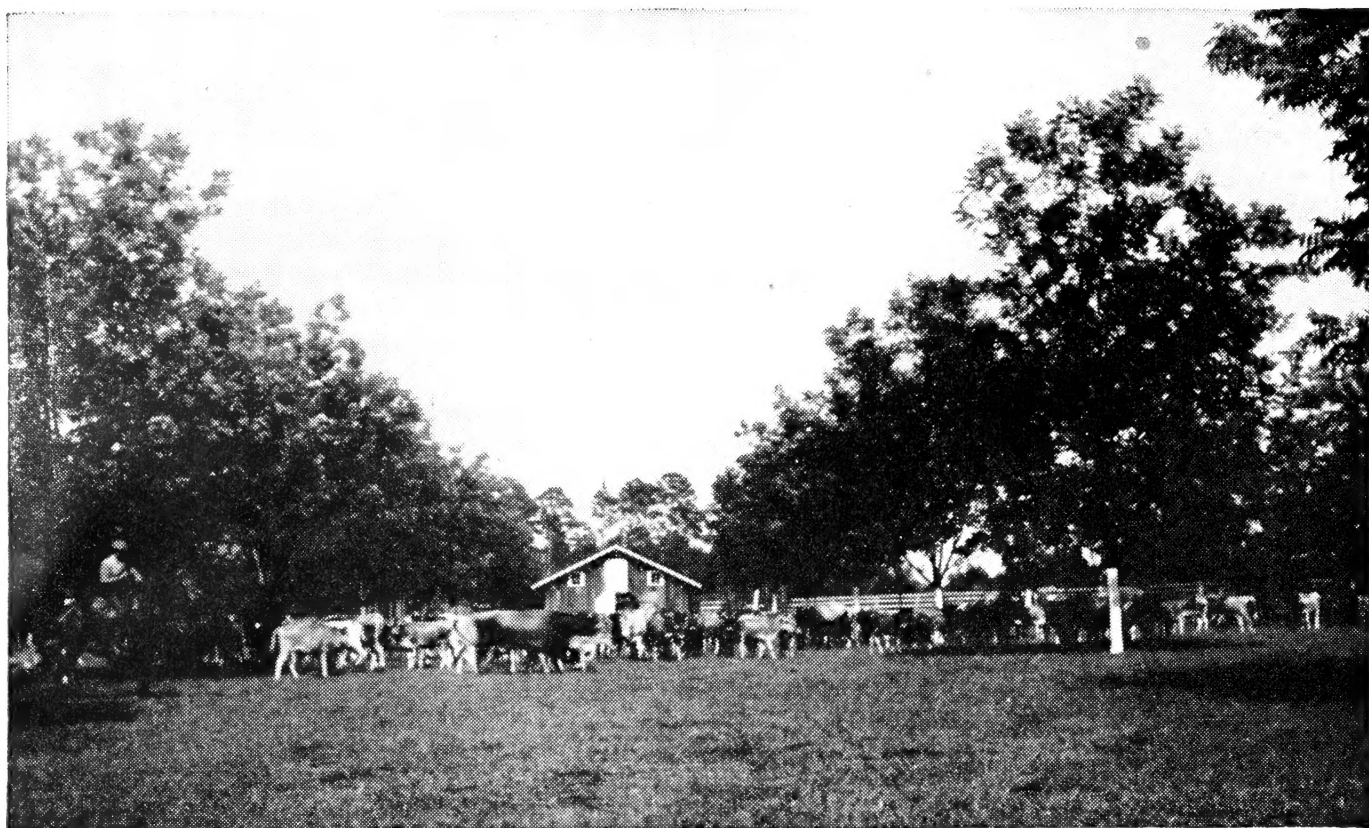
Young Trees Bear in the Nursery Row

THOUSANDS—not hundreds—of our pecan trees bloom and bear in the nursery row. The drawing above shows six little trees dug up in our nursery, retouched to show root systems and nuts more plainly. You can see life and quality of the highest sort in these young, healthy pecan trees. We are proud of them. Plant them, and we are sure you will never regret it.



BASS TREES BEAR EARLY

ON the opposite page is an unretouched photograph of our President, I. H. Bass, Sr., taken in one of our pecan nurseries. He is looking at one of our tiny little pecan trees on which you can see pecan nuts growing! You can judge from this the size of the trees which start into production, and you will note how much growth there has been since the graft was put in. The graft line on this little tree is clearly seen about two inches above the ground level, and all of the growth of the tree has taken place in just five months after grafting! Our trees are healthy, strong, well-rooted, fast-growing and early-bearing; and these are the kind of trees it will pay you to plant.



Jersey Cattle in one of our Pecan Groves.

Pecan Trees and Cattle

CATTLE, SHEEP and PECANS go hand in hand. For several years now in our own orchards at Lumberton cattle and pecans have been profitable every year, without a single exception. After pecan trees have attained some size and started bearing, we have found that cattle and sheep grazing in the orchards will usually make enough profit to give you the pecan crop without any cost whatever.

Here in our orchards we plant Giant Burr Clover, Crimson Clover, White Dutch Clover, Austrian Winter Peas, Hairy Vetch, Wild Winter Peas, Lespedeza, and some Oats for fine grazing in winter and spring. This use of the land for pasturage gives the soil much-needed humus and nitrogen. Very little fertilizer is needed in pasture orchards where cattle and sheep are grazed, since so much humus and nitrogen are put back into the soil, and you can have an orchard that is fast-growing, heavy-bearing, and profitable, as well as one that is beautiful indeed.

In the picture above you will see how pretty the Jersey cattle are, grazing in one of our pecan orchards. With the number of cattle in the United States on the decrease, and the price of beef and milk products on the increase, now is the perfect time to use some of your land for pasturage and orchard, as we all need to grow more cattle. And while the cattle are growing, so will the pecan trees be growing, gaining in size and production. There is no finer sight in the world than a beautiful pecan orchard planted with green pasturage, on which cattle and sheep are grazing.



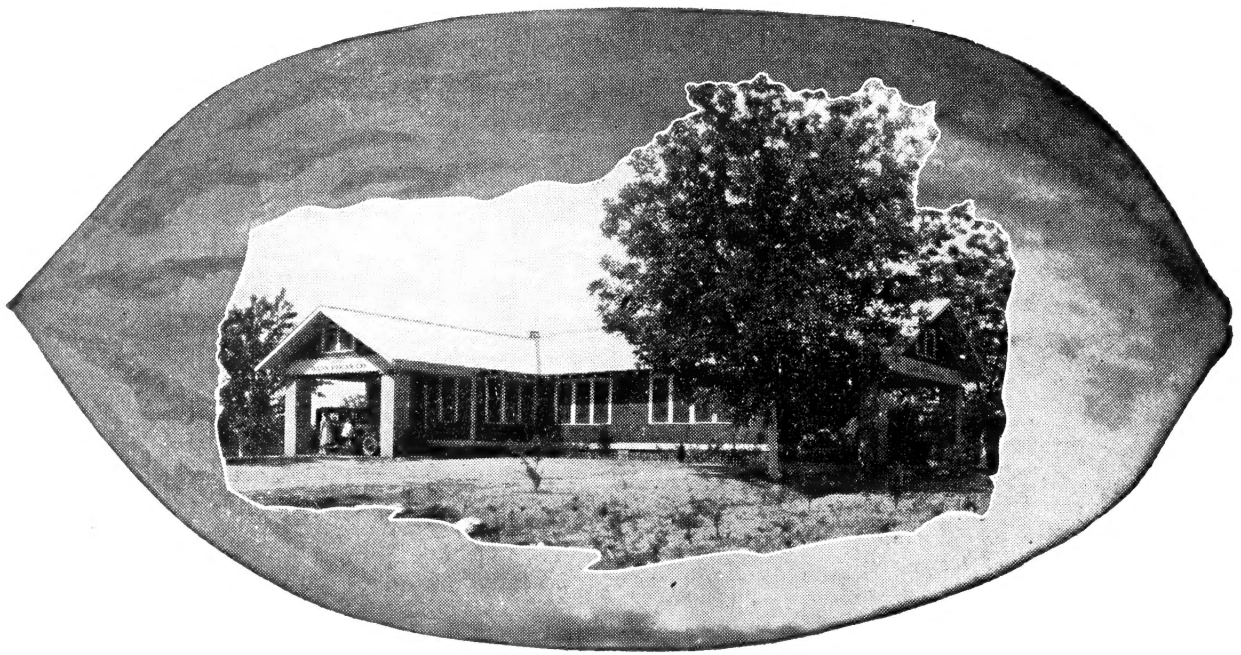
"Only the Finest Pecan Trees in Our Nurseries"

Pecan Trees from the Worlds Finest Nursery Stock

YOU have already seen how amazing our fine pecan trees are in their early rate of production. Above is a photograph of our choice nursery stock, taken in one of our nurseries. This is a typical picture of these select young trees; and here in our nurseries there are rows on rows of trees just like these . . . fine, healthy young trees, very vigorous and thrifty, beautiful with rich green foliage, carefully grown especially for shipment to our customers.

You will notice in the picture how the trees are all healthy and thrifty and strong-looking; and the size of the trees is phenomenal! Buy BASS trees and get full size healthy trees.

Notice the rich full color of the leaves on these fine young pecan trees, and compare these with the lovely full-color photograph of one of our pecan orchards on the back outside cover. Can't you just imagine your own orchard of BASS trees? In just a very few years the wonderful young trees pictured above will be large heavy-bearing trees in orchards throughout the South, given the proper care and attention. *Now* is the time to plant!



"Our Office Building in Pecan Trees"

The Bass Pecan Company

Is One of the World's Largest and Oldest Pecan Nurseries

THIS is our 40th Anniversary Catalog Edition, as our first catalog was published in the Spring of 1909. However, our company is considerably older than that, dating back to before the turn of the century to our interest in pecans and growing pecan trees.

In 1909, when we printed our first catalog, we wanted to tell the whole world about the profit and pleasure to be had out of growing pecan trees. In 1948 and 1949 we still want to tell the world the same thing: *Pecan trees are a joy to grow, and a source of profit as well as pleasure.*

In the years since 1900 we have grown from a very small nursery to the position where we can say that we are the **LARGEST GROWERS OF PECAN TREES IN THE WORLD!** And we are confident there are more BASS-grown pecan trees living, growing, and bearing heavy crops than of any other grower in the world! We know you will want to plant pecan trees from their largest growers, from the Bass Pecan Company, now in its third generation with a fourth coming along; always interested in growing the finest pecan trees and nursery stock that money can buy!

Our sole business, which has been our work throughout the last 40-odd years, is the growing and selling of pecan trees. It requires our attention 365 days a year. This is not a company which buys trees each year for re-sale, or sends out agents to peddle trees; but a large organization operating throughout the year, and selling our own trees direct to the customer for cash only. Our operations cover over 20,000 acres of land in Lamar, Pearl River and Forrest Counties, Mississippi, with 2,000 acres in pecan orchards and nurseries, and the rest well reforested with several million pine trees. While we are mainly interested in growing pecan trees, growing trees of all kinds interests us, and we get our greatest pleasure from this.

BE sure you plant BASS-grown trees, which have been recognized for many years as the finest pecan trees in the world, as well as the earliest and heaviest bearing.

It Pays To Plant Only the Finest Trees

FOR years we have made the offer to anyone to inspect pecan nurseries anywhere in the world and ours, and if they did not find ours to have more and finer pecan trees than they found at any other single nursery in the world, we would pay the entire cost of the inspection trip!

Our Trees Have The Finest Root Systems

NO pecan trees have finer root systems than the trees we grow here at Lumberton. Our soil is ideal for the development of a full root system, thrifty, vigorous and healthy. We have had thousands of visitors during the past 40 years, and without an exception they have said they saw the finest pecan trees growing here that they had ever seen.

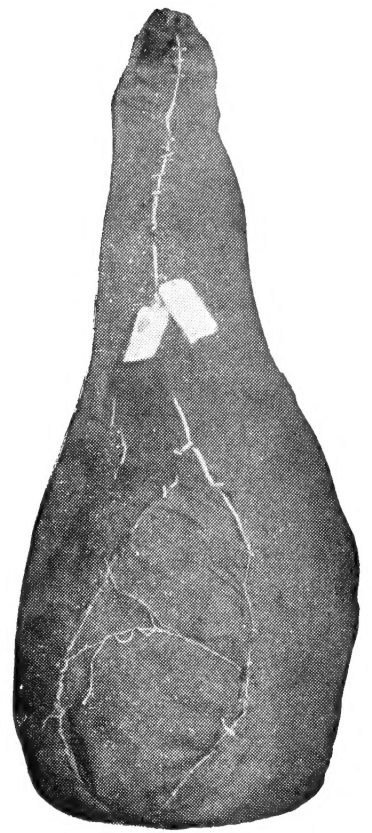
Our Trees Are Packed the Best

YOU can buy fine pecan trees, but if they are not dug and packed well for shipment, you have nothing when you get them, for they will not live and grow well for you. We dig our trees by hand, with specially designed and manufactured shovels, and we go deeper and get finer roots than any nursery we know of.

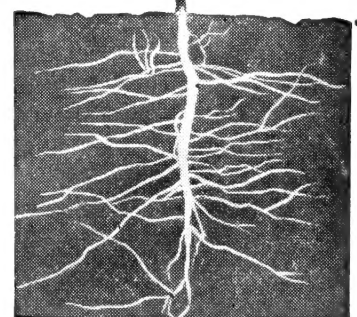
Read Testimonials on the back inside-cover (Page 23). On this page there is a picture of a bale of pecan trees ready for shipment; trees are packed carefully and thoroughly so they will not dry out or be bruised or broken during shipment. We have used many different materials in testing the finest ways to get our choice Bred-Up trees to the customer in the best condition, and the way we pack our trees today has proved itself best for the customer.

Call For Trees As Soon As They Arrive

WE send a notice on the day trees are shipped, so the customer may expect their arrival. When trees arrive, inspect them before accepting the shipment, to be sure that none was broken or damaged in transit. If any tree is damaged, have the postman or the expressman make the proper notation on the receipt you sign. Send us the slip showing the damage, and we can file claim and send you a duplicate tree. We cannot file claim unless you send us the receipt signed by the agent, showing damage to the shipment.



Trees Ready for
Shipment



A Bass bred-up tree less
than three feet high,
already bearing pecans.

We measure our trees from ground up.
You pay only for this!

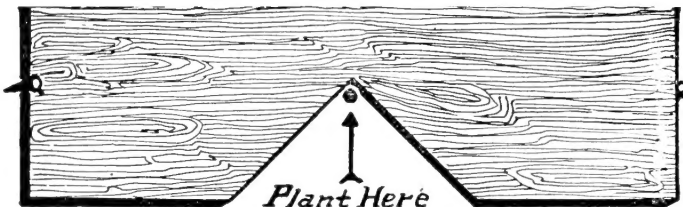
You do not pay for
the roots.

Planting Pecan Trees

There are two questions about planting pecan trees more frequently asked than any other: first, how many trees to plant to the acre, and second, what kind of soil in which to plant them?

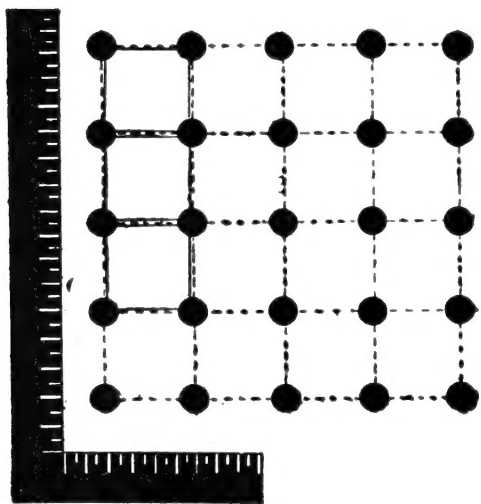
On land of fair fertility, trees can be planted every 50 feet, although we would recommend planting 60 feet apart. If the ground is very rich, plant 70 to 80 feet apart. But, for the average, figure on 60 feet apart—12 trees to the acre. Please refer to the Square and Triangle methods illustrated below. You get more trees to the acre by planting the Triangle method—14 instead of 12.

Land which will grow hickory or oak trees usually grows pecan trees well. It has been well said that any land which will grow cotton will grow pecans. Well-drained land is needed for best results. Practically all lands in the Southern states will grow pecans.



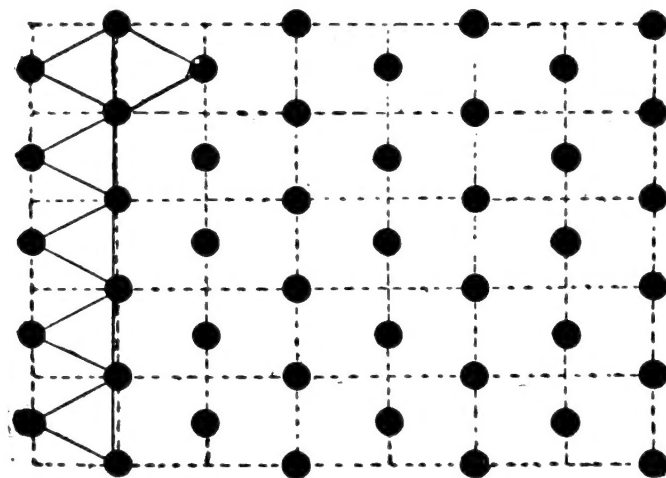
The earlier in the fall season pecan trees are planted the better will be your prospects for them living, the more vigorous they will grow off, and the earlier they will begin to bear. Set out pecan trees as early as practicable after the leaves fall, in November, December, January, February, or March. *Even if you cannot plant your trees until January or later, book your order early so we may reserve some of our finest trees for you.*

Use a planting board in setting your trees. This is easily made by taking a plank or board about six feet long, and cutting a V-shaped groove in the center. Drive stakes in the ground where trees are to be planted; then place your planting board so that the groove is around one of the stakes. Place small sticks or pegs at each end of the planting board, in the ground; this gives you marks to come back to. Dig your hole, replace your planting board between the two pegs you set; and now you have the groove in the exact place where you want your tree to be. Put your tree into the hole, center it with the planting board, tamp the soil down to hold it there. If you do not use a planting board it is hard to get the trees in line again after holes are dug, even if they were lined up exactly right to begin with.



SQUARE METHOD

To plant trees by the Square Method, take an ordinary L-Square and place on the ground in order to get your lines true. Sight and place a stake 60 feet apart on each line until you reach the ends of the field, or whatever distance apart you are planting your trees. Then stake off on parallel lines at every 60 feet and plant trees at each stake. Twelve trees are planted to the acre at 60 feet apart.



TRIANGLE METHOD

To plant trees equidistant in all directions, use the triangle method. To get a true equilateral triangle drive a stake in the corner of the field. Then, with L-Square find the stakes along the outside lines as in square method. To get the proper distance inward attach wires to two adjacent outside stakes, the wires 60 feet long. Make arcs with these two wires, and where they meet, properly taut, drive stake for tree. Work from that stake until field is covered. Fourteen trees will be planted to the acre.

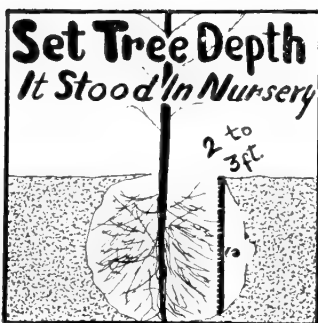
Directions for Planting



Protect the Roots

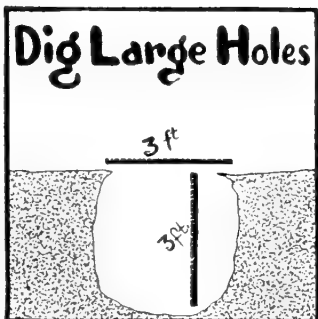
Never allow the roots of the trees to become dry or exposed to the atmosphere for any length of time from the time they reach you until they are set in the ground. Wet the roots in the bundle just as soon as you can, and if not ready to set out at once, dig a hole and put the roots in and cover up well. Place in a shady place if possible.

Set your trees at once upon arrival, or heel-in promptly as above.



Plant as Deep as in the Nursery

When you set out your pecan trees, plant them about the same depth they stood in the nursery. Fill in the hole with the best top-soil, packing the dirt well around the roots, especially the tap root. Keep the roots of the tree straight in their natural position, and do not bend them down by the tree.



Dig Large Holes — Protect the Roots

Have a large hole for your tree. Two feet wide and two feet deep is normally large enough for pecan trees; and this hole can be edged larger as trees are planted, if necessary for the larger size trees. Holes about 12 inches across, and one to two feet deep usually are large enough for pear trees.

Fertilize Properly

When trees are to be planted on soil rather poor in fertility, use a good top-soil in the hole when filling it. About the best fertilizer after the tree is planted is manure scattered around the tree. **DO NOT BANK IT AROUND THE TREE**, but scatter it around for three feet or so. And if a commercial fertilizer is used, take it and scatter it around on the earth around the tree, and then work it lightly into the soil. Do not let any fertilizer of any sort touch the roots, for many trees are killed by strong fertilizers burning the roots before the roots get started growing in the new soil. Fertilizer placed on top of the soil will have its substance taken down by rains. Put fertilizer around your trees in late winter, if possible, so that the trees will get a fine growth in the spring. When the trees are old enough to bear, use potash in some form—wood ashes will do.



If the Soil is Dry

If the soil is dry when the trees are planted, it is a good idea to pour a bucketful of water to each tree when the hole is about three-fourths filled, and after the water soaks in, fill the hole completely with dirt.

During hot spells during the summer, with dry weather, water the trees slightly. One bucketful per tree is usually sufficient. Make a basin-like hole at the base of the tree. Pour water, and as soon as it is soaked in good, fill the hole completely with dry dirt. This holds the moisture in, and also keeps the ground from baking. If you cannot pull dry dirt back to keep the soil from baking, DO Not Water At All. Water poured on top of the ground and left this way does more harm than good, as it will cause the tree to scald.

Cultivate the Soil

Keep the ground around the trees cultivated thoroughly all during the summer. Never let grass or weeds grow up around your trees, as they take nourishment and moisture from the soil which will benefit your pecan trees. Keep the ground dug up and soft at all times. Our own experience has taught us that no tree responds to care and cultivation better than the papershell pecan, and that frequent shallow cultivation is best.

Care of Young Trees

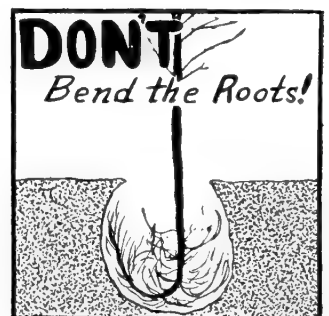
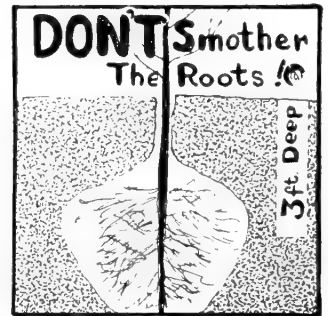
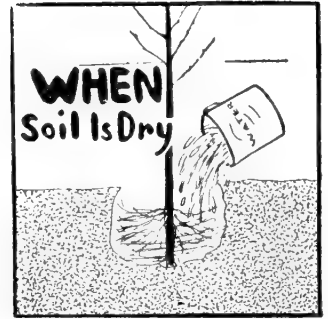
No pruning is necessary after you once get the trees branching high enough. The larger trees we sell will branch high enough anyway, but the smaller trees have to have sprouts cut off occasionally that come out on the body of the trees, until the branches get high enough. This may be done at any time, either in summer or winter. We do not let our own trees branch out any lower than shoulder high, or five to six feet above ground. They look better and you can work around them where they are not allowed to head too low.

BASS Trees Come Ready to Plant

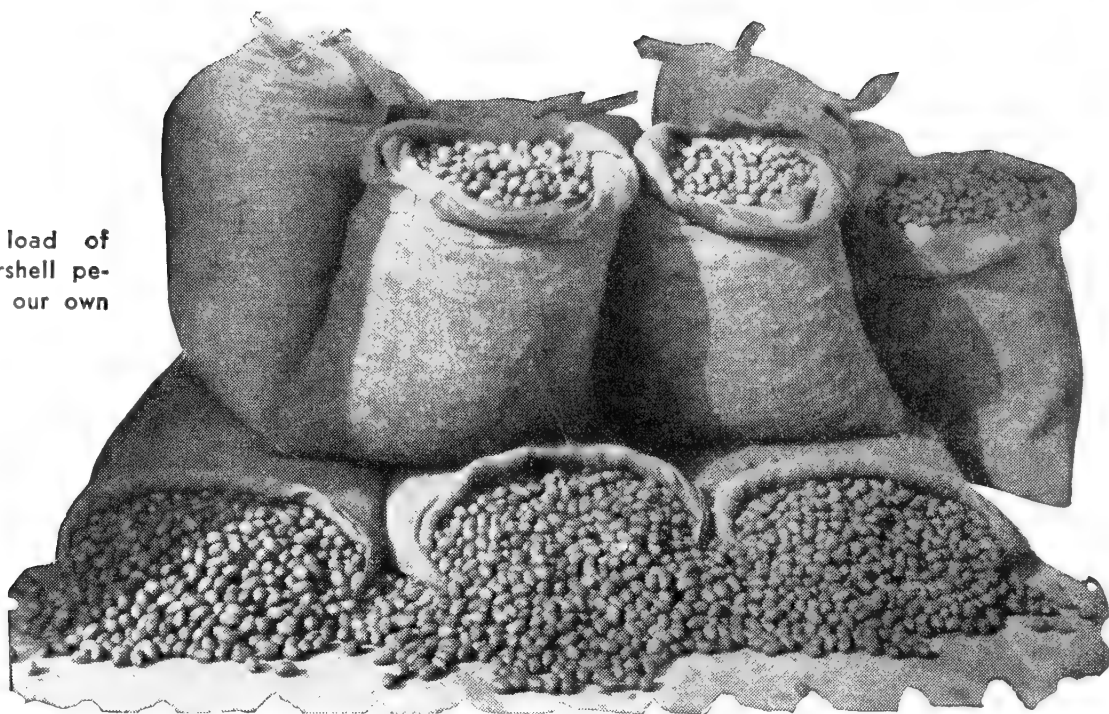
We endeavor at all times to send out properly pruned trees, just the kind which we plant ourselves, leaving the planter nothing to do but just set them out. The taller grades of trees need to be top-trimmed, as it balances the top against the unavoidable loss of some of the roots when the tree is transplanted. Proper pruning insures the tree growing well. *Our prices are made on the height of the trees when dug. When properly top-trimmed, the height is often somewhat reduced. Therefore if the height of the trimmed tree when received is less than the catalog height, this is the explanation.* We measure our trees from the ground up, not from the tip of the tap root as many nurserymen do; and so our 3-4 ft. size trees are often as large as others' 5-6 ft. size trees—we don't charge for the roots.

Special Notice About Fertilizer

Recent experiments in our own orchards have shown us that one pound of Nitrate of Soda or Sulphate of Ammonia for each year the tree has been planted will be of great benefit and cause your trees to grow very fast. Merely spread it around the trees two or three feet from the trunk, and hoe or dig it in well. This can be done at any time from the first of April to the last of June, usually the earlier the better.



A truck load of
fine papershell pe-
cans from our own
orchards.



Pecans Find a Ready Market!

PECANS are the world's most popular nut. They are always good, winter and summer, in a variety of foods and confections. And new uses for pecans in everyday roles are being discovered and publicized constantly. You will find in our catalog this year a few recipes for pecans, which we hope you will try and enjoy.

Future markets for pecans will undoubtedly increase, since there are new uses coming to light constantly. Candies with pecans are ever more popular; drug stores are using pecans more and more with their ice cream confections; bakeries use them in pies and cakes; restaurants are using them in all manners of salads and dressings. And salted or toasted nuts are grand for after dinner, and the perfect accompaniment for teas and cocktail parties. Throughout the South cracking companies cannot always secure enough nuts; and incidentally, that is a comparatively new business which can be carried on profitably at home. In fact, Pecans and Pecan Candies and Toasted Pecans can be prepared at home, advertised, and sold by mail.

Our Pecan Trees Bearing Early:

"Itta Bena, Miss.,
Aug. 20, 1948.

Gentlemen:

Last fall, I ordered six four-foot trees from you. I set them out about the first of November.

I just wanted you to know that all the trees had pecans on them; and on one tree, the pecans stayed on. It's a nice size, and people from all over the community are coming to see this tree.

Yours truly,
G. W. L."

*(An unsolicited letter * Name furnished on request.)*







Stuart Pecans—First Choice of America

THE Stuart is our first choice, and is the most popular of all the improved varieties of pecans. This variety has been more extensively planted than any other, and large plantings of this variety are being made throughout the South. The trees are vigorous, bear regularly, and resist scab. They are early and heavy bearers. The nuts are large and well-filled, the kernels are plump with a meat content of 49% to 50%, and of excellent flavor. The nut is shaped nicely, and fills well.

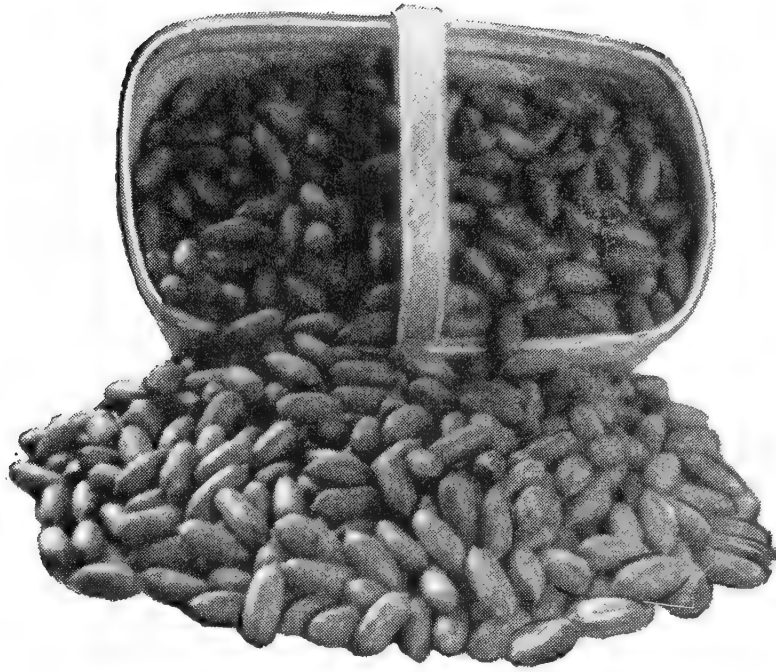
These nuts are easiest to grow, sell well on the market, and bring a high market price.

The major portion of our orchards is in Stuart trees, and in recent years we have topworked many other varieties, less satisfactory, over to the Stuart variety.

We recommend the BASS Bred-Up Stuart pecan trees as the most profitable and satisfactory of the pecan trees. We have an unusually large stock of these fine trees this season, and believe it would pay you to plant these in preference to others.

Pecan Trees Have No Age Limit

Just to show how long pecan trees will live, grow, and produce, and further to prove the wisdom and foresight of George Washington, the Father of Our Country, in the year 1785 or thereabouts, President Washington planted pecan trees which are still living, in fine condition, and bearing. Washington was indeed looking to the far distant future, and leaving behind a living and growing memorial, producing for the generations to come later.



Mississippi Giant Papershell Pecans

THE Mississippi Giant pecan is no doubt the largest papershell pecan in the world. F. A. Mahan, of Monticello, Florida, is said to have paid \$5,000.00 for the parent tree at Kosciusko, Miss. The trees are sold under many different names, such as Mississippi Giant, Florida Giant, Mehan, Mayhan, Mayhand, Mahan, etc. In many sections it is doing as well as any of the other varieties, and because of the size of the nuts, and their paper-thin shells, this variety brings a premium on the retail markets. This new variety is very rapid-growing, with large and beautiful green foliage. The shell of the pecan is thin, easily crushed in one's hands, and the meat is large, easily extracted whole, with a fine rich nutty flavor that is very distinctive. It is one of the earliest and heaviest producers of all the pecan varieties. Under other names it is often sold for many times our price by other nurseries.

Why We Sell Only Two Varieties of Pecans

The two varieties of pecan trees which we now offer are, to our mind and experience, the very finest pecan trees. They are the ones which grow off best, bear earliest and heaviest, and produce the finest pecans. There are any number of other varieties which we grow here in our 2,000 acres of orchards, such as Success, Schley, Lewis, Nelson, Pabst, Moneymaker, Frotscher's Eggshell, Bass Papershell, Van Deman, Natchez, Delmas, Forkett, Dependable, Davis, Hale, Burkett, Big Z, Hollis, President, Squirrel's Delight, Climax, Longfellow, Texas Prolific, Oliver, Russell, Kincade, and some as yet unnamed. But of them all, after extensive tests, we feel that we offer the two finest varieties of all, and the ones you will want to grow. Read testimonials on page 23 to see how the Stuart and Mississippi Giant varieties are regarded by our customers.

THIS YEAR GIVE PECANS

The Perfect Holiday Gift For A More Perfect Holiday Season!

Pecans are the perfect gift. And what pleasure to have a box of tasty paper-shell pecans arrive from a friend in advance of the Holiday Season, a gift to be cherished and enjoyed throughout all the festive Holidays!

This year we are making a special Holiday Gift offer for those who wish to send us a list of persons to whom to send our fine pecans during November. We shall inclose a special card with your name, and Greetings for the entire Holiday Season, including Thanksgiving and Christmas and New Year's.

Prices for Gifts of Pecans

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| 5 lb. box | \$ 2.50 prepaid in U. S. |
| 10 lb. box | \$ 4.50 prepaid in U. S. |
| 50 lb. sack..... | \$18.75 prepaid in U. S. |
| 100 lb. sack..... | \$35.00 prepaid in U. S. |

Quotations will gladly be made on larger orders for our choice selected Paper-shell Pecans. We can also quote postage and express rates to all parts of the globe, if necessary.

Can't you imagine what a pleasure it would be to you to receive a Holiday Box just before Thanksgiving, which would contain a gift card wishing you a Happy Holiday Season and a very Merry Christmas? Particularly if that box were cram-full of tasty, delicious Papershell Pecans?

Pecans: The Perfect Holiday Gift For A More Perfect Holiday Season!

Time-Tested Pecan Recipes

Try these with pecans bought from us this season, and enjoy these recipes later with pecans grown in your own yard in years to come from Bass Bred-Up Trees you plant this winter.

Never-Fail Pecan Pie: The Most Luscious Holiday Dessert

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| 1 cup pecan meats. | 1/2 teaspoon salt. |
| 2 eggs. | 1 tablespoon flour. |
| 1/2 cup sugar. | 1 teaspoon vanilla extract. |
| 1 cup dark Karo. | |

Beat eggs well, add sugar, stirring in well; then add salt, flour, and dark Karo. Roll nut meats in flour and add to mixture. Add vanilla and pour in unbaked pie shell. Bake slowly in moderate oven (350°) 25 to 30 minutes.

Pecan and Rice Loaf

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| 2 cups pecans, chopped. | 1/2 cup finely cut celery. |
| 2 cups cooked rice. | 1 cup dry bread crumbs. |
| 2 tablespoons melted butter or other fat. | 1 egg, beaten. |
| 1/4 cup chopped green pepper. | 1 1/2 teaspoons salt. |
| 3 tablespoons flour. | 1/8 teaspoon pepper. |
| 1 cup milk. | |

Make a thick sauce with the fat, flour, and milk, mix well with the other ingredients, and form into a loaf. Pack tightly in a well-greased loaf pan lined with paper, and bake in a moderately hot oven (375°-400° F.) for 1 hour. This loaf is very good served with brown sauce seasoned with chopped parsley.

Pecan Recipes (continued)

Nut Stuffing

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| 1/2 to 1 cup chopped nuts (blanched almonds, pecans, walnuts, or cooked chestnuts). | 3 tablespoons melted butter or other fat. |
| 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion. | 2 1/2 cups soft bread crumbs. |
| 2 or 3 sprigs parsley, chopped. | 1/2 teaspoon salt. |
| 1/2 cup cut celery. | 1/8 teaspoon pepper. |
| | Savory seasoning, if desired. |

Cook the onion, parsley, and celery in the fat for a few minutes, add the bread crumbs and seasonings, and stir until well mixed and hot. Add the nuts just before stuffing the fowl. One-half of this recipe will stuff about six chops.

Quick Nut Bread

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| 1 cup pecans, Persian walnuts, or hickory nuts, cut. | 1/2 cup brown sugar. |
| 2 cups sifted flour. | 1 cup milk. |
| 1 tablespoon baking powder. | 1 egg, beaten. |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt. | 2 tablespoons melted butter or other fat. |

Place the cut nuts in boiling water for a few minutes, and drain. Sift together the dry ingredients. Add the milk and egg, and stir until just moistened. Then stir in the fat, add the nuts, and pour into a well-greased bread pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) for about 1 hour, or until lightly browned.

Refrigerator Nut Cookies

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| 1 cup nuts, finely chopped. | 1 teaspoon vanilla. |
| 1/2 cup butter or other fat. | 2 cups sifted flour. |
| 1 cup brown sugar. | 2 teaspoons baking powder. |
| 1 egg, beaten. | 1/2 teaspoon salt. |

Cream the fat and sugar and add the egg and the vanilla. Sift the dry ingredients together, add the nuts, and combine with the first mixture. Stir until blended. Chill and then form into a roll of the desired size. Roll in wax paper and chill thoroughly. When solid, cut cross-wise in thin slices with a sharp knife. Bake for about 10 to 15 minutes, or until lightly browned, in a moderate oven (350°-375° F.). Allow the cookies to become crisp on the baking sheet.

Variation.—To the above recipe, add two squares of melted chocolate with the beaten egg and vanilla to the creamed fat and sugar. Replace the cup of brown sugar with a scant cup of white sugar.

Nut Short Bread

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| 1 1/2 cups nuts, chopped. | 3 1/2 cups sifted flour. |
| 1 cup butter or other fat. | 1/4 teaspoon salt. |
| 1/2 cup sugar. | |

Mix and bake in the same way as the refrigerator nut cookies.

Nuts may be added to almost any candy recipe, or they may be used for decorating candies.

Nut Brittle

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| 2 cups nuts. | 1/4 teaspoon soda. |
| 2 cups granulated sugar. | 1 teaspoon vanilla. |
| 1/4 teaspoon salt. | |

Heat the sugar gradually in a frying pan. Stir constantly with the bowl of the spoon until a golden sirup is formed. Remove from the fire and stir in quickly the salt, soda and vanilla. Pour the sirup over a layer of nuts in a greased pan. When cold, crack into small pieces.

Glaze Nuts

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| 1 1/2 cups nuts salted or unsalted. | 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar. |
| 2 cups sugar. | 1 cup hot water. |
| | 1/8 teaspoon salt. |

Mix the sugar, cream of tartar, hot water, and salt in a small saucepan and place over a hot fire. Stir until the sugar has dissolved. Let the sirup boil until it reaches a temperature of 293° F., or the hard-crack stage. Remove from the fire at once and place in a pan of hot water while dipping the nuts. Hold nuts separately with tweezers or on a long pin, and dip in the sirup to cover. Place dipped nuts on waxed paper to dry. Reheat the sirup carefully if it becomes too thick.



Bass Trees Hold World's Record

THIS is the remarkable bearing record of nine of our Extra Special size pecan trees set out in late February by the late Dr. D. B. Stevenson, here at Lumberton, Miss. He fertilized the trees very heavily with barnyard manure and worked around them often, so that weeds and grass would not get the fertilizer. Results have been remarkable.

The records were kept by Dr. Stevenson, and is absolutely authentic, as he gathered and weighed the pecans himself. The trees bearing the heaviest crops were the ones most favorably located. Trees with smallest yields were handicapped by being near large oaks, sidewalks, etc. The nuts were gathered in October and November *two years and eight months* after trees were planted!

| Number | Yield |
|------------|----------|
| Tree No. 1 | 251½ lb. |
| Tree No. 2 | 15 lb. |
| Tree No. 3 | 16 lb. |
| Tree No. 4 | 17½ lb. |
| Tree No. 5 | 28¼ lb. |
| Tree No. 6 | 12 lb. |
| Tree No. 7 | 10 lb. |
| Tree No. 8 | 4½ lb. |
| Tree No. 9 | 4 lb. |

THE FAMOUS BLIGHTPROOF PINEAPPLE PEAR TREES ARE AVAILABLE AGAIN!



IN recent years our pear trees have been sold out in mid-summer, long before shipping season began. This year we have determined to have enough trees to meet the demand, and all efforts have been turned to growing more and finer pear trees in our nurseries. We believe that we have enough trees to take care of orders this season, if they are sent in early. But orders sent in later may be too late for filling this year. **ORDER YOUR PEAR AND PECAN TREES TODAY!**

The Bass Blightproof Pineapple Pear

is the South's most beautiful fruit tree, and the heaviest bearing fruit tree we've ever known. No Southern home should be without some of these gorgeous trees; in the Spring the pear trees are a beautiful sight, and with their tremendous crops of pears they

are beautiful throughout the season. Notice the picture of the pear orchard in bloom: beautiful white blossoms and tall, stately trees.

THE PINEAPPLE PEAR is also a profitable fruit to grow, and one which has a great future in demand. We first grew the Pineapple Pear trees for our own use, but we found them to be of such fine quality and prolific growth, with such fine fruit, that we decided to grow these trees and offer to our customers. The fruit has been in ready demand and sells at a splendid profit; and 40 to 75 bushels of pears a year is nothing unusual for some of the older trees. Do not fail to order your pear trees early!

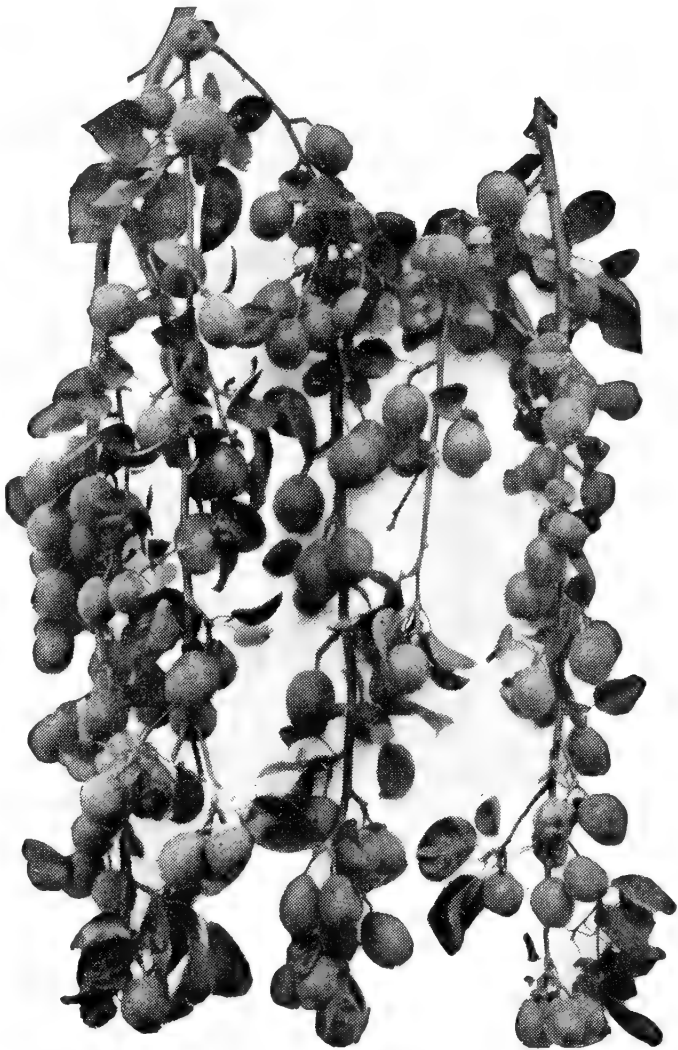
The South's Best-Adapted Fruit Tree

THE Blightproof Pineapple Pear is especially adapted to the soils and climate of the South. The principal trouble with growing pear trees is blight; but the pineapple pear trees do not blight. Efforts were made by the Georgia Experiment Station to inoculate this pear with blight, unsuccessfully, and the Station has said that it may be considered 100 per cent proof against this disease.

The Bass Blightproof Pineapple Pear trees are rapid growers, and bear early. They produce very heavy crops. And the fruit has proved excellent for canning purposes, is a good shipper, and keeps a long time.

This year don't wait too late. Order your pecan and pear trees now, early in the season, sending check or money order to cover with your order. We will confirm the order, and book it for shipment any time in November, December, January, or February that you specify. And as you will note further, we can make the shipment to you by parcel post if trees are of 4-5 ft. size or smaller, and 10% is added for postage; or by express collect for the other larger sizes.

We are proud to have such excellent trees to offer, and to be able to offer the famous Blightproof Pineapple Pear Trees again!



Branches of our Blight-Proof Pineapple Pears loaded to capacity

Other Fine Fruit Trees Available

This fall and winter we can also supply some other fine fruit trees, including Red and Golden Delicious Apple trees; Red Haven, Hiley Belle, and Elberta Peach trees; the wonderful Celeste Fig trees; Plum trees; all at the low prices shown.

| <u>Size</u> | <u>1 to 10 Price Each</u> | <u>10 or more Price Each</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 3 to 4 ft..... | 60c | 50c |
| 4 to 5 ft..... | 75c | 65c |

ALSO: Choice 2-year bearing Concord and Niagara grape vines @ 35c each, or 30c each in lots of 10 or more.

BASS PECAN COMPANY

LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI

The World's Largest Growers of Papershell Pecan Trees

Order Blank and Price List

1948-49 Prices on Top-Grade (No. 1) Pecan Trees

| Size | Less Than 10 | 10 to 100 | 100 up |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 to 2 ft..... | \$1.15 each | \$1.00 each | \$.90 each |
| 2 to 3 ft..... | 1.25 " | 1.15 " | 1.05 " |
| 3 to 4 ft..... | 1.50 " | 1.35 " | 1.25 " |
| 4 to 5 ft..... | 2.00 " | 1.75 " | 1.65 " |
| 5 to 6 ft..... | 2.50 " | 2.25 " | 2.15 " |
| 6 to 7 ft..... | 3.00 " | 2.75 " | No reduction |
| Large Size..... | 4.00 " | 3.50 " | " " |
| Extra Special Size..... | 5.00 " | No reduction | " " |

1948-49 Prices on Blightproof Pineapple Pear Trees

| Size | Less Than 10 | 10 to 100 | 100 up |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2 to 3 ft..... | \$.50 each | \$.45 each | \$.40 each |
| 3 to 4 ft..... | .60 " | .55 " | .50 " |
| 4 to 5 ft..... | .75 " | .70 " | .65 " |
| 5 to 6 ft..... | .90 " | .80 " | .70 " |
| 6 to 7 ft..... | 1.15 " | 1.05 " | .95 " |

ALL PRICES F. O. B. LUMBERTON, MISS.

ORDER BLANK

| Kind | Number | Size | Price Each | Total |
|----------------|--------|------|------------|-------|
| PECANS | | | | |
| STUART | | | | |
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| MISS. GIANT | | | | |
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| PEARS | | | | |
| Pineapple Pear | | | | |
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Add 50c Packing Charge If Less Than \$5.00

Check How to Ship

Express ☐

Parcel Post ☐

If Parcel Post, Add 10%

TOTAL:

PLEASE WRITE OR PRINT NAME AND ADDRESS PLAINLY

Date:

Name:

Address:

Post Office:

Express Office:

Date to Ship:

Methods of Shipment

EXPRESS shipment is made on orders containing trees larger than our 4 to 5 ft. size. We notify you on the day that shipment is made, so that you may be expecting arrival of the trees at your local express office. Shipment is made via express collect, the person receiving the trees to pay the charges thereon. Express shipment is fast and a special rate governs the shipment of nursery stock.

PARCEL POST shipment is made on orders for trees no larger than 4 to 5 feet, if desired. Ten per cent may be added to your order for the postage, and we will prepay them. If the postage should run more than the 10% we take the loss. This service is rapid, and is excellent for RFD customers, since the trees will be delivered to your mailbox.

OTHER methods of shipment can be arranged, if necessary, although the two methods above are most satisfactory in nearly all cases. Motor freight shipment is not satisfactory because of delay at terminal points; and other freight (railroad) is too slow for perishable trees. Air express can be used, but is too expensive for shipments inside the United States.

But no matter how trees are shipped, examine them before accepting them from either the postman or expressman. For if a tree is damaged in transit, and notice is made to the delivery agent, he will mark the damage on your receipt; you send the receipt showing the damage to us, and we can duplicate the shipment (or part that was damaged), and file claim for the value of the damages.

Government Bulletins and Experiment Stations

The United States Government maintains three large experiment stations and laboratories specializing in the culture of pecan trees. These are the U. S. Pecan Experiment Station, Albany, Georgia; U. S. Pecan Experiment Station, RFD No. 6, Meridian, Miss.; and U. S. Pecan Laboratory, Court House Bldg., Shreveport, La. Free government bulletins are also available by writing your Congressman, or the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C. Of particular interest are the following:

No. 700—Pecan Culture

No. 1501—Nut-Tree Propagation

No. 1829—Insects and Their Control

Pecan Buds and Grafts For Sale

Thousands of buds and grafts are supplied each year to all sections of the U. S. for propagating young trees either by root grafting, or top budding or grafting. Buds and grafts are selected by experts from our finest young trees and are the finest to be had. The success of any budding or grafting depends on the ability of the operator and the quality of the material used. Poor buds or grafts mean poor results even for the best propagator. Five cents (5¢) per bud or graft, in lots of 25 or more, is the lowest price we can afford to cut back our best trees for. In lots of 500 or more we get 4¢ each, and in lots of 1000 or more 3½¢ each. Such fine varieties as Stuart, Success, and Mississippi Giant are furnished, and in limited quantities we can also supply Lewis, Dependable, Moore, Moneymaker, Forkert, and Davis—all fine varieties.

Letters from Our Customers say:

"Bass Trees are the Finest"

(Names and addresses on request only)

MEMPHIS, TENN.: "I would like again to tell you what a wonderful pecan grove of about 125 bearing trees, ninety percent from your nursery, I have. I do love to recommend you and your trees. You have probably been one of the greatest benefactors the South has produced in this century, if for no other virtues, in the propagation, exploitation and the furtherance of the Bred-Up Paper Shell Pecan industry. I can think of no better monument or plaque that a fellow can leave behind him when he departs this life than trees and the love for trees." W.B.W.

HOLDCROFT, VA.: "We purchased some Stuart trees from you about 1931; we gathered over one thousand pounds of nuts from 18 of these trees this year. Considering our northern location, we thought this was very good." A. L. S.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.: "I have just returned from an inspection of the pecan trees I ordered from you last year. My father was high in his praise of the excellent condition in which the trees arrived. I am more than pleased with the strong healthy appearance of the trees." R. S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C.: "I ordered six pecan trees from you in 1925, and 5 in 1939. Well Sir! I have never seen pecan trees bear so full in my life. I propped up the trees and people would marvel at them." S.M.H.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.: "Our customers have noticed what fast growers your Mississippi Giant trees are—they are the finest bearing trees in this State." M. B.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: "The only thing that I regret is my place where I am planting isn't right down in the center of city traffic—so people could see the kind of trees that Bass grows." W.H.S.

BELHAVEN, N. C.: "I have bought trees from you before, and they are doing wonderful!" W. P. O.

GREENSBORO, ALA.: "I recently sold a five-acre tract of land for \$2,500.00 on which I had planted Stuart pecan trees purchased from you about twenty-two years ago." C. M. O.

WAYNESBORO, GA.: "I have bought trees from many nurseries, but I wish to say yours were the best I have ever received." H. R. C.

CANTON, MISS.: "This year I sold an average of \$25.00 worth of pecans per tree from the trees I purchased from you some years ago, after giving friends a supply and saving enough for home use." S. R. C.

WEST DURHAM, N. C.: "I have two of your pecan trees in my yard 18 or 20 years old now. They bear every year and paid for themselves dozens of times." J. D. W.

PICKENS, MISS.: "We have an orchard that came from you about twenty years ago—35 trees, that has netted us \$2000.00 in six years, besides what we have eaten and given away." Dr. E.D.P.

ALBERTVILLE, ALA.: "Sixteen years ago I set four pecan trees ordered from you, and this year the harvest has netted me \$105.00 with sixty pounds going to friends." P.M.H.

HOUSTON, TEXAS: "Everything you shipped arrived in first class condition. We find you are very modest in describing your trees. These were the nicest and largest in diameter that we have ever purchased. We received some nice compliments from our customers, who were all more than pleased with their trees." X.N.

HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS: "This is to try to express my gratitude and thanks for the two fine trees for my front yard. I am sending you an extra \$5.00, as I think this type tree is worth \$10.00 each." Dr. M.O.E.

GIBSON, N. C.: "I ordered six trees from you three years ago. This year these trees were loaded with pecans. I would not take ten dollars apiece for my trees." E.G.

ALAMAGORDO, N. MEX.: "From the first shipment of trees we received from you we got 365 pounds of very fine nuts last year. . . . We are working here under conditions that at times make it look impossible—high altitude, very little rainfall, but so far we have had very good luck." P.H.S.

TULSA, OKLA.: "Just a note to tell you the pecan trees arrived in excellent condition, and I am very much pleased with the choice trees you sent me. The man who helped me set them out is quite experienced in the field, and he made the remark, 'They are the best rooted trees I have ever seen in my life.' I thought you would like to know how pleased we are." R.A.H.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA.: "I'm gradually building a 'Bass' orchard, adding to the one my father started some years ago. My 1945 trees from you are living 100%, to date the 1946 trees are living 100%. It looks like my 1945 trees are in fine shape to bear in 1947." E. F. D.

GAINESVILLE, GA.: "In the year of 1938 I bought from you one papershell pecan tree three feet high, and put it out in March. It bloomed the first year, and today it is one of the finest pecan trees in Gainesville, Georgia." V.B.



A Public Road Through One of Our Orchards